

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all previous versions, and listings, of claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A cargo support device comprising a platform having a cargo support surface; at least one base member for ground support projecting from said platform, said at least one base member having a curved recess formed therein for external access thereto by lifting support implements, said curved recess being defined by walls extending inwardly into said base member from a generally vertically oriented side portion thereof and defining a positioning surface, a receiving surface and a lifting surface.

2. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 1 wherein said positioning surface is formed by a sloping wall portion of said base member.

3. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 1 wherein said receiving surface is formed by a concave wall portion of said base member.

4. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 3 wherein said concave wall portion is formed as a smooth curve having a substantially constant radius.

5. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 1 wherein said lifting surface is formed as a substantially horizontal wall portion of said base member.

6. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 1 wherein said cargo support device includes a plurality of base members configured with said curved recesses formed in general alignment for substantially simultaneously receiving lifting support implements.

7. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 6 wherein said base members are formed in a symmetrical relationship along said platform.

8. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 1 wherein said cargo support device is molded using a polymer and is formed symmetrically in a manner defining four substantially identical corner structures including four substantially identical base members.

9. (Original) A cargo support device comprising a platform having a cargo support surface, said platform being a four sided planar member forming said cargo support surface; a plurality of base members for ground support projecting from said platform, each said base member having a curved recess formed therein for external access thereto, and being configured with said curved recesses formed in general alignment for substantially simultaneously receiving lifting support implements; each said curved recess being defined by a sloping wall portion extending into said base member from a first vertical displacement to a second vertical displacement, said second vertical displacement being closer to said platform than said first vertical displacement, a receiving surface formed by a concave wall portion of said base member and a lifting surface formed as a substantially horizontal wall portion of said base member.

10. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 3 wherein said concave wall portion is formed as a smooth curve having a substantially constant radius.

11. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 9 wherein said base members are formed in a symmetrical relationship along said platform.

12. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 9 wherein said cargo support device is molded using a polymer and is formed symmetrically in a manner defining four substantially identical corner structures including four substantially identical base members.

13. (Currently Amended) A cargo support device formed as a container and comprising a platform having a cargo support surface; a plurality of walls projecting outwardly from said platform; at least one base member for ground support projecting from said platform, in a disposition substantially opposing said walls, said at least one base member having a curved recess formed therein for external access thereto by lifting support implements, said curved recess being defined by walls extending inwardly into said base member from a generally vertically oriented side portion thereof and defining a positioning surface, a receiving surface and a lifting surface.

14. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 13 wherein said positioning surface is formed by a sloping wall portion of said base member.

15. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 13 wherein said receiving surface is formed by a concave wall portion of said base member.

16. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 15 wherein said concave wall portion is formed as a smooth curve having a substantially constant radius.

17. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 13 wherein said lifting surface is formed as a substantially horizontal wall portion of said base member.

18. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 13 wherein said platform is a four sided planar member forming said cargo support surface with said walls projecting outwardly at an angle of about 90 degrees therewith, said walls including two opposing first walls and two opposing second walls, and wherein said base members are formed in alignment with said first walls.

19. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 13 wherein said cargo support device is molded using a polymer and is formed symmetrically in a manner defining four substantially identical corner structures including four substantially identical base members.

20. (Original) A cargo support device formed as a container and comprising a platform having a cargo support surface; a plurality of walls projecting outwardly from said platform, said platform being a four-sided planar member forming said cargo support surface with said walls projecting outwardly at an angle of about 90 degrees therewith, said walls including two

opposing first walls and two opposing second walls; a plurality of base members for ground support projecting from said platform in a disposition substantially opposing said walls, each said base member being formed in alignment with said first walls and having a curved recess formed therein for external access thereto, with said base members being configured with said curved recesses formed in general alignment for substantially simultaneously receiving lifting support implements; each said curved recess being defined by a sloping wall portion extending into said base member from a first vertical displacement to a second vertical displacement, said second vertical displacement being closer to said platform than said first vertical displacement, a receiving surface formed by a concave wall portion of said base member and a lifting surface formed as a substantially horizontal wall portion of said base member.

21. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 20 wherein said concave wall portion is formed as a smooth curve having a substantially constant radius.

22. (Original) A cargo support device according to claim 20 wherein said cargo support device is molded using a polymer and is formed symmetrically in a manner defining four substantially identical corner structures including four substantially identical base members.